

OPINION 739

SIGARA FABRICIUS, 1775, AND *MICRONECTA* KIRKALDY, 1897
(INSECTA, HEMIPTERA): ADDED TO THE OFFICIAL LIST

RULING.—(1) The following generic names are hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *Sigara* Fabricius, 1775 (gender: feminine), type-species, by monotypy, *Notonecta striata* Linnaeus, 1758 (Name No. 1681);

(b) *Micronecta* Kirkaldy, 1897 (gender: feminine), type-species, by original designation, *Notonecta minutissima* Linnaeus, 1758 (Name No. 1682).

(2) The specific name *minutissima* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Notonecta minutissima* (type-species of *Micronecta* Kirkaldy, 1897) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2086.

(3) The generic name *Corisa* Amyot & Serville, 1843 (an unjustified emendation of *Corixa* Geoffroy, 1762) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1764.

(4) The following family-group names are hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) CORIXIDAE (correction of CORIXIDA) [Leach, 1815] (type-genus *Corixa* Geoffroy, 1762) (Name No. 395);

(b) MICRONECTINAE Jaczewski, 1924 (type-genus *Micronecta* Kirkaldy, 1897) (Name No. 396).

(5) The following family-group names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) CORIXIDA [Leach, 1815] (type-genus *Corixa* Geoffroy, 1762) (an incorrect original spelling for CORIXIDAE) (Name No. 417);

(b) CORISIDES Amyot & Serville, 1843 (type-genus *Corisa* Amyot & Serville, 1843) (a junior objective synonym of CORIXIDAE [Leach, 1815]) (Name No. 418).

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1519)

The present case was submitted to the Office of the Commission by Professor T. Jaczewski in January 1962. A revised version of Professor Jaczewski's application was sent to the printer on 21 May 1962, and was published on 26 April 1963 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 20 : 212-214. The proposals were supported by Dr. E. Wagner.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 1 December 1964 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (64)30 either for or against the proposal set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 20 : 213-214. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 1 March 1965 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-three (23), received in the following order:

China, Boschma, Mayr, Simpson, Bonnet, do Amaral, Jaczewski, Lemche, Riley, Uchida, Miller, Obruchev, Vokes, Tortonese, Sabrosky, Holthuis, Brinck, Ride, Binder, Kraus, Mertens, Forest, Alvarado.

Negative votes—one (1): Evans.

Voting Papers not returned—two (2): Hubbs, Munroe.

Commissioners Stoll and Borchsenius returned late affirmative votes. The following comments were made by Commissioners in returning their votes:

Mr. C. W. Sabrosky (17.ii.65): "I do not approve paragraph (3). (3) (a) is incorrect: there is no such thing as '*Sigara* Leach, 1817 (a junior homonym. . .)'. That is merely an incorrect application by Leach of the name *Sigara* Fabricius, as Jaczewski makes clear in paragraph 5 of his application.

"Re (3) (b), I am opposed to placing unjustified emendations on the Official Index, thereby cluttering the Index with names that are invalid without action by the Commission."

Dr. L. B. Holthuis (22.ii.65): "If the name *Sigara* Leach, 1817, is only an incorrect usage by Leach, 1817, of the name *Sigara* Fabricius, 1775, it should not be placed on the Official Index."

Mr. Sabrosky and Dr. Holthuis are correct in their view of the status of "*Sigara* Leach, 1817" and it was therefore decided that this name should not be placed on the Official Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on the Official Lists and Indexes by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

Corisa Amyot & Serville, 1843, *Hist. nat. Ins., Hémipt.* : 445

CORISIDES Amyot & Serville, 1843, *Hist. nat. Ins., Hémipt.* : II, 444

CORIXIDA [Leach, 1815], an incorrect original spelling for CORIXIDAE q.v.

CORIXIDAE [Leach, 1815], in Brewster's *Edinb. Ency.* 9 (1) : 124

Micronecta Kirkaldy, 1897, *Entomologist* 30 : 260

MICRONECTINAE Jaczewski, 1924, *Ann. Zool. Mus. Pol. N.H.* 3 : 3

minutissima, *Notonecta*, Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) 1 : 439

Sigara Fabricius, 1775, *Syst. Ent.* : 691

CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (65)30 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 739.

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International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

London

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